

Waltz — Figure Descriptions

CLOSED CHANGE ON RF

Start: RF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: RF closes to LF (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

CLOSED CHANGE ON LF

Start: LF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: LF closes to RF

Timing: 123

NATURAL TURN

Start: RF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: LF closes to RF

Timing: 123 123

NOTE - General: Steps 1-3 or 4-6 only may be used

NOTE- Foot Placement/Couple Position: May start with RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position.

If steps 4-6 only are used, step 4 may start LF bwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position.

REVERSE TURN

Start: LF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: RF closes to LF

//Timing: 123 123 //

NOTE - General: Steps 1-3 or 4-6 only may be used.

NOTE- Foot Placement/Couple Position: May start with LF fwd in CBMP in Wing Position.

NATURAL SPIN TURN

Start: RF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: LF bwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 123 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/Couple Position: it may start RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position

NOTE - Quantity of Turn: may be underturned to end backing DC against LOD or overturned to end almost backing Line of Dance

WHISK

Start: LF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: LF crosses behind RF (Promenade Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Quantity of Turn: may turn up to $\frac{1}{4}$ to L

NOTE - Foot Placement/Couple Position: may start LF fwd in Wing Position

CHASSE FROM PP

Start: RF fwd and across in CBMP (Promenade Position)

Finish: LF to side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 12&3 //

OUTSIDE CHANGE

Start: LF bwd in CBMP (Outside Partner Position)

Finish: LF to side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/Couple Position: may end in Promenade position. It may start LF Bwd in Closed Position.

HESITATION CHANGE

Start: LF bwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: LF closes to RF w/o weight-weight on RF (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/Couple Position: may start LF bwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position

Reverse Corte

(ISTD only)

Start:

Finish:

//Timing: //

DOUBLE REVERSE SPIN

Start: LF fwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: Weight on RF

//Timing: 123 (12&3 Lady) //

NOTE - Quantity of Turn: may turn between $\frac{3}{4}$ and 1 full turn to L

NOTE- Timing: alternative timing of 123& may be used for the Lady

BACK WHISK

Start: LF bwd in CBMP (Outside Partner Position)

Finish: LF crosses behind RF (Promenade Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Quantity of Turn: May be turned up to $\frac{3}{8}$ to R

NOTE-Foot Placement/Couple Position: may start LF bwd in Closed Position

PROGRESSIVE CHASSE TO Right

Start: LF fwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: RF to side and slightly bwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 12&3 //

NOTE- Foot Placement/Couple Position: May start with LF fwd in CBMP in Wing Position.

BASIC WEAVE

Start: RF bwd (Closed Position)

Finish: LF to side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 123 //

NOTE - General: steps 1-3 or 4-6 only may be used.

NOTE-Couple Position: may end in Promenade Position

REVERSE PIVOT

Start: RF diag, bwd outside Lady's LF (Closed Position)

Finish: weight on RF (Closed Position)

//Timing: & //

IMPETUS

Start: LF bwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: LF to side and slightly Bwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/ Couple Position: it may start LF Bwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position

CLOSED TELEMARCK

Start: LF fwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: LF to side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE -Foot Placement/ Couple Position: it may start LF Fwd in CBMP in Wing Position

TELEMARCK TO PP

Start: LF Fwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: LF to side (Promenade Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE -Foot Placement/ Couple Position: it may start LF fwd in CBMP in Wing Position

CROSS HESITATION FROM PP

Start: RF fwd in CBMP (Promenade Position)

Finish: Weight on RF

//Timing: 1 (23) //

NOTE - Quantity of Turn: may turn up to $\frac{1}{4}$ to L (Man)

WING

Start: RF fwd in CBMP (Outside Partner Position)

Finish: LF closes to RF w/o weight, weight on RF (Wing Position)

//Timing: 1 (23) //

WING FROM PP

Start: RF fwd and across in CBMP (Promenade Position)

Finish: LF closes to RF w/o weight, weight on RF (Wing Position)

//Timing: 1 (23) //

OUTSIDE SPIN

Start: LF Bwd in CBMP (small step)

Finish: LF to side

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Quantity of Turn: may be underturned (no Pivot on step3) in which case the exit is RF bwd into any suitable figure

DRAG HESITATION

Start: LF Fwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: LF closes to RF w/o weight, weight on RF (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/ Couple Position: may start LF Fwd in CBMP in Wing Position

BACKWARD LOCK

Start: LF bwd in CBMP (Outside Partner Position)

Finish: RF diag, bwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 12&3 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/Couple Position: may start LF bwd in Closed Position

WEAVE FROM PP

Start: RF fwd and across in CBMP (Promenade Position)

Finish: LF to side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 123 //

NOTE - General: steps 1-3 or 4-6 only may be used

NOTE - Couple Position: may end in Promenade position

REVERSE TURNING LOCK

Start: RF bwd with R side leading (Closed Position) Finish: LF to side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 1&23 //

NOTE - Couple Position: may end in Promenade Position

NATURAL TURNING LOCK

Start: RF bwd with R side leading (Closed Position)

Finish: LF diag. fwd L side leading (Promenade Position)

//Timing: 1&23 //

NOTE - Couple Position/ Foot Placement: may end in Closed Position, the following step is taken RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position.

NOTE- Quantity of Turn/ Couple Position: may overturn to end backing DC in Closed position.

IMPETUS TO PP

Start: LF Bwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: LF diag Fwd L side leading (Promenade Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/ Couple Position: it may start LF Bwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position

Left Whisk

(ISTD only)

Start:

Finish:

//Timing: //

Contra Check

(ISTD only)

Start:

Finish:

//Timing: //

FALLAWAY REVERSE AND SLIP PIVOT

Start: LF fwd and slightly to side (Closed position)

Finish: RF bwd (Slip Pivot) weight on RF, LF held in position (Closed Position)

//Timing: 1&23 //

NOTE- Foot Placement/Couple Position: May start with LF fwd in CBMP in Wing Position.

NOTE- Quantity of Turn: may be danced with less or no turn (when danced into a corner).

NOTE - Timing: alternative timings of 12&3 or 123& may be used.

Fallaway Whisk

(ISTD only)

Start:

Finish:

//Timing: //

HOVER CORTE

Start: RF bwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: Transfer weight to RF (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Timing: alternative timing using 2 bars of music may be used (123 123).

NOTE - Couple Position: it may start in Promenade Position

OPEN NATURAL TURN

Start: RF fwd and across in CBMP (Promenade Position)

Finish: RF bwd R Side leading (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/Couple Position: may start RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner position

RUNNING WEAVE FROM PP

Start: RF fwd and across in CBMP (Promenade Position)

Finish: RF crosses behind LF (Closed Position)

//Timing: 1&23 123 //

NOTE - General: steps 1-4 or 5-7 only may be used.

NOTE - Foot Placement/ Couple Position: May start RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position.

NOTE - Timing: alternative timing of 12&3 may be used on steps 1-4.

RUNNING SPIN TURN

Start: RF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: RF bwd R side leading (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 1&23 //

NOTE - Timing: alternative timing of 123 112&3 may be used.

NOTE-Foot Placement/ Couple Position: May start RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position.

OVERTURNED RUNNING SPIN TURN

Start: RF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: LF closes to RF w/o weight, weight on RF (Wing Position)

//Timing: 123 1&23 12&3 //

NOTE - Couple Position/ Timing: From step 8 (instead of quick Wing) both partners may dance two steps fwd in Promenade Position with timing 23.

NOTE - Timing: alternative timing of 12&3 may be used on steps 4-7.

NOTE-Foot Placement/ Couple Position: May start RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position.

RUNNING CROSS CHASSE

Start: RF fwd in CBMP (Outside Partner position)

Finish: LF fwd L side leading (Closed Position)

//Timing: 1&23 //

NOTE - Couple Position: may start and end in promenade Position.

NOTE - Timing: alternative timing of 12&3 may be used.

CURVED FEATHER (SEE SLOW FOX)

Start: RF fwd (Closed Position)

Finish: RF fwd in CBMP (Outside Partner Position)

NOTE - Foot Placement/ Couple Position: step 1 may be danced RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner Position. May start in Promenade Position.

RUNNING FINISH (SEE QUICKSTEP)

Start: LF bwd in CBMP (Outside Partner Position)

Finish: LF fwd L side leading (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 //

NOTE - Couple Position: may end in Promenade Position

OUTSIDE SWIVEL (SEE SLOW FOX)

Start: LF back in CBMP (Outside Partner Position)

Finish: Weight on LF (Promenade position)

Timing: 1 (23)

PROGRESSIVE CHASSE TO L (SEE QUICKSTEP)

Start: RF bwd (Closed Position)

Finish: LF side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

Timing: 12&3

NOTE - Quantity of Turn: may turn up to 3/8 to Left.

BOUNCE FALLAWAY WEAVE ENDING (SEE SLOW FOX)

Start: LF fwd and slightly to side (Closed Position)

Finish: LF side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

Timing: 1&23 123

NOTE - General: dance steps 1-4 of bounce fallaway followed by steps 4-6 of weave from PP.

QUICK OPEN REVERSE (SEE SLOW FOX)

Start: RF fwd in CBMP (Outside Partner position)

Finish: LF bwd in CBMP (Outside Partner position)

Timing: 1&23

NOTE - General: dance steps 1-4 of Quick Open Reverse Turn.

NOTE - Couple Position: may start in promenade Position.

FALLAWAY NATURAL TURN

Start: RF fwd and across in CBMP (Promenade Position)

Finish: LF to side and slightly fwd (Closed Position)

//Timing: 123 123 //

NOTE - Foot Placement/ Couple Position: may start RF fwd in CBMP in Outside Partner position. It may end in Promenade Position.

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